Reading

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Pre-Literacy

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Identifies upper- and lower-case letters
- 2. Applies phonetic skills
- 3. Recognizes familiar word patterns
- 4. Applies picture clues
- 5. Recognizes basic sight words

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to functional and informational text

- 1. Identifies common functional signs, directions, and maps
- 2. Reads and comprehends short simple sentences

ABE I

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Recognizes basic word patterns, antonyms, and synonyms
- 2. Applies syllabication

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to functional and informational text

- 1. Follows single step directions
- 2. Draws conclusions
- 3. Identifies the relevant facts
- 4. Sequences events, actions, and behaviors

Indicator C: Applies reading skills to interpret literary selections

- 1. Comprehends the meaning of literary selections and makes connections between the text and his/her own experiences
- 2. Describes the story elements of plot, setting, and characters, including the beginnings, middles and endings of reading selections
- 3. Identifies the theme in reading selections

ABE II

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Recognizes homophones and homographs
- 2. Applies context clues
- 3. Knows and uses structural analysis

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to functional and informational text

- 1. Follows multiple step directions
- 2. Summarizes the main ideas and supporting details
- 3. Identifies the author's main purpose
- 4. Makes predictions about events, actions, and behaviors
- 5. Identifies cause and effect relationships
- 6. Reads and interprets charts, graphs, and labels and simple authentic materials found in the community or workplace
- 7. Applies skimming and scanning reading strategies to locate information and determine the main idea in print and graphic material

Indicator C: Applies reading skills to interpret literary selections

- 1. Determines the underlying theme or author's message and relates them to prior experiences or the experiences of others
- 2. Identifies the historical and cultural perspectives in reading selections

ABE III

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Identifies the meaning of root words
- 2. Identifies the meaning of prefixes
- 3. Identifies the meaning of suffixes
- 4. Applies context clues to confirm meaning of figurative, idiomatic and technical words
- 5. Recognizes the meaning of word origins

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to interpret functional and informational text (e.g., consumer information, newspapers, civics documents, science publications)

- 1. Identifies the main idea, critical details, and author's point of view and relates them to other sources, real life, and related topics
- 2. Summarizes the text in chronological, spatial, or logical order
- 3. Distinguishes facts from opinions
- 4. Makes inferences about the author's purpose and perspective
- 6. Supports conclusions with convincing textual evidence

Indicator C: Applies reading skills to interpret literary selections

- 1. Makes defensible inferences about the events, setting, mood, plot, characters and meaning of the reading selections, including how they are presented by different authors
- 2. Identifies literary devices that define a writer's style with emphasis on the use of figurative language
- 3. Explains how an author's life and time are reflected in his or her work
- 4. Compares versions of traditional or contemporary literature from different cultures for similarities and differences related to themes or characters
- 5. Describes the literary elements and characteristics of fiction, nonfiction, drama, and poetry

ASE I/GED

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Distinguishes between the denotative and connotative meanings of words and explains "shades of meaning" for related words
- 2. Infers the meaning of words from context clues and word relationships, including idioms, analogies, metaphors, allusions, similes, and derivations

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to interpret and evaluate functional and informational text

- 1. Describes the thesis or point of view of a selection
- 2. Extracts critical details and extends the ideas in the reading selection
- 3. Distinguishes a conclusion from supporting statements
- 4. Distinguishes among facts, supported inferences, and opinions
- 5. Makes useful connections to other topics and extends ideas presented in text
- 6. Recognizes the role that values play in the beliefs and perspectives of authors
- 7. Evaluates the logic and clarity of many functional documents
- 8. Assesses the accuracy and reliability of facts as determined by documentation or proof

Indicator C: Applies reading skills to interpret literary selections drawn from American and world literature

- 1. Evaluates the influence of culture, ethnicity, and historical eras on the themes, supporting the inferences with evidence from the selection
- 2. Makes defensible inferences about the interactions between characters (e.g., conflicts, motivations, relationships) and how they affect the events and plot

- 3. Evaluates the relevance of setting (place, time and customs) to the mood, tone and meaning of text, using textural evidence to support the claims
- 4. Supports a judgment about the effectiveness of an author's use of literacy elements and figurative language

ASE II

Indicator A: Applies recognition and decoding strategies to pronounce and derive the meaning of words

- 1. Identifies and uses idioms and the literal and figurative meanings of words in speaking and writing
- 2. Uses knowledge of Greek, Anglo-Saxon and Latin roots to understand content area vocabulary words

Indicator B: Applies reading skills to interpret and evaluate functional and informational text

- 1. Recognizes unstated assumptions, extracts critical details, and extends the information from the text
- 2. Evaluates technical journals or workplace documents for purpose, organizational pattern, clarity, and relevancy of information
- 3. Describes and connects the essential ideas, arguments, and perspectives of text
- 4. Assesses the adequacy or appropriateness of data to substantiate hypotheses, conclusions, or generalizations
- 5. Evaluates the author's use of bias and use of persuasive strategies to elicit a desired response from the reader
- 6. Identifies logical fallacies in arguments

Indicator C: Applies reading skills to interpret literacy selections drawn from American and world literature

- 1. Evaluates the structural elements of plot
- 2. Compares and contrasts the motivations and reactions of literary characters from different eras and cultures confronting similar situations or conflicts
- 3. Analyzes how a work of literature reflects the heritage, traditions, attitudes and beliefs of its author and/or times
- 4. Analyzes how an author's choice of words appeals to the senses, suggests mood, and sets tone
- 5. Compares works that express a universal theme, often providing credible evidence to support his/her ideas